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SUBJ: GATT PREPARATORY COMMITTEE, DRAFT TOKYO DECLARATION

SUMMARY: PREPCOM DISCUSSION OF SECRETARIAT DRAFT  
DECLARATION CONTAINED NO SURPRISES. LDCS MADE USUAL POINTS.  
IN INFORMAL MEETING OF KEY DELS JUNE 13 IT WAS AGREED TO  
ESTABLISH DRAFTING GROUP, TO CONSIST OF 10 REPS EACH OF DCS AND  
LDCS. SECRETARIAT IS EXPECTED TO HAVE REVISED DRAFT READY  
JUNE 17 AS BASIS FOR DRAFTING GROUP WORK. END SUMMARY.

1. IN FIRST DISCUSSION OF SECRETARIAT DRAFT OF TOKYO DECLARATION

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JUNE 12, CHILE (CUBILLOS), SPEAKING FOR ANDEAN GROUP, AND

JAMAICA (WALKER), SPEAKING FOR UNSPECIFIED GROUP OF LDCS, MADE USUAL POINTS. BOTH RE-EMPHASIZED THAT LDCS CANNOT NEGOTIATE ON BASIS OF RECIPROCITY AND CALLED FOR NEGOTIATIONS BASED ON THREE PRINCIPLES OF NON-DISCRIMINATION, NON-RECIPROCITY AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT. THEY INSISTED THAT NEGOTIATIONS BE OPEN TO FULL, EFFECTIVE AND CONTINUING PARTICIPATION OF ALL LCS, INCLUDING NON-MEMBERS, WITHOUT PRIOR CONDITIONS. SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE FOR SPECIAL MENTION OF LDCS IN ALMOST EVERY PARAGRAPH OF DRAFT DECLARATION AND ANNEX. BOTH WERE SUPPORTED BY CHORUS OF INTERVENTIONS BY OTHER LDC DELS.

2. IN PRELIMINARY COMMENTS, U.S. (MILLER) SAID LDCS NEW HOLY TRINITY NOT ACCEPTABLE; ALSO QUESTIONED SENTENCE OF DRAFT SUGGESTING THAT PRINCIPLES OF MFN, MULTILATERALISM AND RECIPROCITY DO NOT APPLY FULLY TO LDCS SINCE THIS TRUE ONLY FOR RECIPROCITY; CALLED FOR ELIMINATION OF PARAGRAPH OF ANNEX DEALING WITH AGRICULTURE AS THIS ALREADY COVERED BY OTHER PARAGRAPHS ON TARIFFS, NTBS, SECTORS, AND PARTICULAR PROBLEMS; AND SUGGESTED ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPH FOR ANNEX CALLING FOR CONSIDERATION OF IMPROVEMENTS OF INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR CONDUCT OF WORLD TRADE WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE IN LIGHT OF PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

3. EC UNABLE TO COMMENT BECAUSE IT HAD NOT YET FINISHED INTERNAL CONSULTATIONS.

4. IN RESTRICTED MEETING WITH U.S., EC AND JAPAN MORNING OF JUNE 13, LONG SHOWED DISCOURAGEMENT OVER LACK OF PROGRESS ON DECLARATION AND ASKED FOR ADVICE ON HOW TO PROCEED. IN RESPONSE TO U.S. QUERY, EC (PHAN VAN PHI) SAID HE HOPED TO HAVE POSITION ON DRAFT BY MONDAY. JAPAN (KITAHARA) SAID IMPORTANT THING IS TO AGREE ON DRAFT FOR TOKYO AND URGED CONCENTRATION ON OBJECTIVES OF NEGOTIATIONS RATHER THAN TOO MUCH DETAIL, ESPECIALLY IN ANNEX. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, ALL AGREED BEST PROSPECT WOULD BE TO ESTABLISH DRAFTING COMMITTEE WHICH MIGHT BEGIN EARLY IN WEEK. JAPAN PROPOSED CONTINUING TRIPARTITE CONSULTATION; U.S. AGREED; EC PROMISED EARLY RESPONSE.

5. AT AFTERNOON MEETING WITH KEY DC AND LDC DELS SAME DATE LONG SUGGESTED AND IT WAS AGREED TO FORM DRAFTING GROUP, TO BE COMPOSED OF 10 EACH DC AND LDC DELS. SEC TO PREPARE REVISED DRAFT, TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AVAILABLE HOPEFULLY TUESDAY, AS WORKING PAPER.

6. PC TO MEET TUESDAY, JULY 17, TO HEAR ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON EARLIER SEC DRAFT DECLARATION AND THURSDAY TO HEAR COMMENTS ON REVISED DRAFT REPORT JUST ISSUED.

7. COMMENT: OUR PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS, AS WELL AS ATTITUDES EXPRESSED IN MEETINGS, SUGGEST JAPANESE, AS MIGHT BE EXPECTED ARE

ANXIOUS FOR AGREEMENT; OTHER DCS GENERALLY COOPERATIVE AND  
REASONABLE; EC SO FAR UNABLE TO MOVE, BUT  
EVIDENTLY ANTICIPATING ULTIMATE AGREEMENT AT LOWEST  
COMMON DENOMINATOR  
RATHER THAN CONFRONTATION; LDCS READY FOR AND ANTICIPATING  
CONFRONTATION, WITH HOW THEY FORESEE OUTCOME UNCLEAR.BASSIN

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